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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled, Vessel for Holding Silicon and Method of Producing Same, filed herewith along with a preliminary amendment.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, and the first and second preliminary amendments.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is known to me to be material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

## **Prior Foreign Application(s):**

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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